

The Fundamental Policy in Dealing with China for
a Complete Prosecution of the Greater East Asia
War (Agenda for the Imperial Conference)
Decided on December 27, 1942.

I. POLICY:

1. Considering the National Government's participation (T.N. Nanking Government under Wang Ching-wei) in the war as constituting an important turning point for the solution of the current situation between Japan and China and in accordance with the basic principle of the Sino-Japanese collaboration, Japan will devote herself to the realization of destroying the reason and cause of resistance proposed by the Chungking Government against Japan, and at the same time, by strengthening the political power of the National Government, and actually incorporating herself with reborn China as one body, she will proceed forward for the complete prosecution of the war.

2. Carefully observing the development of the world-wide war situation, and before the United States-British counter onslaught reaches its height, Japan will endeavour to fulfill various measures toward China on the basis of the afore mentioned policy.

II. ESSENTIAL POINTS:

A. Intensification of the Political Power of the National Government.

(1) Japan will avoid interfering with the National Government as much as possible, and will strive to the utmost for the promotion of initiative action on the part of the latter.

(2) By thoroughly adjusting provincial peculiarities within the occupied areas, the guidance of the provincial governments by the National Government shall be strengthened.

(3) Efforts will be made for a speedy abolition or adjustment of the concessions, extraterritoriality and various other extraordinary conditions in China, in accordance with the spirit of respecting Chinese sovereignty and territory. And as to the disposition of the Kowloon leased territory, it will separately be decided on together with that of Hongkong.

(4) The National Government shall be caused, with unwavering determination and conviction, to take steps for its self-consolidation in various aspects and to win over the minds of the people at large. In particular, it shall strive for solid realization of increased production, which is necessary for a complete prosecution of the war, and for the diffusion of knowledge on the war objective among the government officials and the people, and also a more rigid maintenance of peace and order, etc., so that nothing shall be left undone for a thorough cooperation in the war.

(5) Japan considers it necessary to make amendments at a suitable time to the Japanese-Chinese basic treaties and other agreements attached thereto, correspondingly with the realization in the future of the full development and consolidation of the National Government and its collaboration with Japan.

B. ECONOMIC MEASURES:

(1) The economic measures toward China with which Japan is now confronted will be to lay emphasis on development in acquiring materials urgently needed within the occupied areas, as well as to strive for positive acquisition of enemy owned materials necessary for complete prosecution of the war.

(2) In carrying out the economic measures, monopolization by the Japanese side shall not only be warned against, but at the same time the responsibility and initiative action of the Chinese government and people shall be mobilized and their positive collaboration with Japan shall be requested.

C. MEASURES TO BE TAKEN TOWARD CHUNGKING.

(1) Japan will not enter into any peace negotiations with Chungking. In case the situation should change and peace negotiations be planned, a decision thereon shall be made apart from this.

(2) The National Government shall adapt itself to the attitude of Japan, as expounded above.

D. STRATEGIC MEASURES:

The strategic measures of Japan against China shall be based on the policy which has been already established.

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大東亜戦争完遂ノ爲ノ對支那根本方針（御前會議記録）

昭和十七年十二月二十一日決定

一方針

一、帝國ハ國民政府ヲ以テ日本圓周面打開ノ一大計略トシ日本支那
事ノ根本諸課ニ則リ軍ラバ民ラバノ政治力ヲ強化スルト共ニ實業
抗日ノ根柢名目ノ發行ヲアリベニ着手文部ト一権合參字據ニ照拂

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二、世界政局ノ動向ト観合セ米英側反攻ノ最高峰ニ至ルニ先チ前項
方針ニ基ク對支諸施策ノ結實ヲ圖ル

第二項

一、國政府ノ政治力強化

- (イ) 帝國ハ國民政府ニ對シ他メテ干涉ヲ避ケ極力其ノ自發的活動ヲ
促進ス
(ロ) 政力占據地城内ニ於ケル地方的特殊性ヲ調査シ國民政府ノ地方
政府ニ對スル指導ヲ四化セシム

ハ大那ニ於ケル租界、治外法權真ノ他殊異ノ諸事體ハ支那ノ主權及領土尊重ノ通旨ニ表キ遠ニ之ガ撤廢乃至解約ヲ圖ル九國通商借款地ノ處理ニ附シテハ香港ト併セ別途之ヲ定ム

ニ曰民政府ヲシテ不動ノ決意ト信念トヲ以テ名義ニ亘リ自ノ説コト開ゼシメ度ク民心ヲ得シハニ附合宗派ノ爲必取トスル此説ノ増加、其學目的ニ對スル官氏認可ノ普及並ニ治學研究ノ開化無ノ確實ナル表現ヲ圖リ、咸寧協力ニ致慶近情ナカラシム本議題ハ將來民政府ノ充實強化並ニ其ノ對日能力ノ具現無ニ因西シ追時日本基本之綱及附屬諸款項ニ所取ノ修正ヲ加フルコト

ロ考観ス

三 諸國通商

イ當西ノ對支經濟關係ハ明確元述上必取トスル學資潤滑ノ増大ヲ六根トシ古舊地城内ニ於ケル緊急財資ノ貯蓄的開發應付並ニ設立本會ノ積極的發行ヲ圖ル口然通商ノ實行ニ當リテハ日本側ノ獨占ヲ戒シムルト共ニ支那

官民ノ責任ト創意トヨ活用シ真ノ精神日努力ノ事ヲ具理

セシム

三 計画方案

イニシヤハ眞正ニ計画之ヲ對手トスル一切ノ和平工作ヲ行ハス而後
結化シ和平工作ヲ行ハムトスル場合ハ別ニ之ヲ決定ス

口頭民議局タシテ右委員会ノ感覚ニ順應セシム

四 政策方案

香川ノ歴文展開方案ハ既定方針ニ據ル